



AEF 9/10 Talking Points

January 2006

Deployment Messages

- While primarily MDG and MSG customer-based services are affected, all groups are deploying Airmen; Airmen not deploying may see a reduction in some base functions and customer service areas throughout this AEF rotation
- From January-April 2006 Holloman will have up to 500 Airmen deployed worldwide, supporting both AEF 9/10 and RED FLAG -- a two-week realistic combat training exercise involving the elite aerial forces from all four branches of the U.S. military
- Airmen left behind have big jobs to do while their counterparts are deployed; we will work together to make sure the mission is accomplished and our family members are taken care of

Medical Group

- Family Practice expects decreased appointment availability through Apr. 1, 2006
- Family Practice providers available: 1-2 on base & 1 at the Satellite Clinic
- When necessary, will refer some acute care appointment to TRICARE network
- We may postpone routine, non-urgent minor surgical procedures (examples: vasectomies, mole removal)
- Space available appointments are currently limited
- You may experience increased wait times at the medical group during your appointment

Efforts To Serve Community

- Primary focus will be on your acute care needs
- Begun to consolidate resources by moving staff and 900 patients from the Satellite Clinic to the clinic on base; we hope to have the staff and patients transferred by 1 Jan 06
- Nurses will provide hands-on assessment as opposed to telephone consultation

Take care of yourself first

- Consult your "Taking Care of Yourself" handbook before calling for an acute appointment (distributed to you at Base Right Start)
- Call us at 572-5745 for more information or to get a copy of "Taking Care of Yourself"
- The "Taking Care of Yourself" handbook has great advice for managing most minor acute illnesses without requiring a visit to the doctor
- **Supervisors may allow Active Duty subordinates up to 24 hrs to rest and recuperate from minor illness.** We encourage supervisors to do so after consulting the "Taking Care of Yourself" handbook and following the home health treatment regimen. Notify the PCM Nurse if the condition persists beyond the home health treatment recommended.

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For more information or for updates visit:

https://wwwmil.holloman.af.mil/wing/49FW_PA/web-rollcall/index.htm

Mission Support Group

Services Squadron

Dining Facilities

Shifting Sands: Open normal hours

Westerner Dining Facility: Closed from Dec. 19 – Jan. 3, 2006

The Fitness and Sports Center

Fitness Center hours through May 15, 2006:

Mon. – Fri. 6 a.m. – 9 p.m.; Sat.-Sun. 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Indoor Pool has reduced hours through May 15, 2006:

Mon.-Fri. 6 a.m. – 8 p.m.; Sat. – Sun. closed

There may be unscheduled closures due to lifeguard absences.

Civil Engineer Squadron

Customers can expect longer waiting times prior to completion of a work order. Below are the reduced services for 49 CES:

Operations Flight

Reduced capability to complete large in-house work orders:

- Discretionary projects accomplished via contracts
- Increased costs due to contracts
- Reduced landscaping/xeriscaping capability
- Reduced heavy equipment capability
- Focused on Airfield sweeping and maintenance
- Street sweeping secondary
- Reduced capability to support High Visibility Visits – additional reliance on HIT Team/base manpower
- Less Controllers = Increased time to process work orders
- Reduced support for exercises

Engineering Flight

Reduced capability to provide maps and As-Built drawings:

- Reduced surveying capability
- Airfield surveys will take precedence
- Construction surveying secondary
- Non-construction surveying will be contract only
- Reduced project inspection services
- Reduced GIS support

New Capabilities / Services offered

- The **Airman and Family Readiness Flight** has a variety of information and resources available to include briefings, classes, publications and outreach services to ensure readiness and enhance quality of life for Airman and their families (Hearts Apart, HeartLink, Families Apart, etc.).
- A **Family Marriage/Relationship counselor** will be available in early 2006. Look for more details in the *Sunburst* after the new year.
- **America Supports You**, www.americasupportsyou.org, spotlights what the nation is doing in support of the military, encouraging others to thank the troops and allowing all to tell their stories by giving voice and visibility to their efforts.